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                                     UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                                           DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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              WANDA R. SANDS,
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                    Plaintiff,
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                                                          No.
              vs.
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              REVENUE SECURITY SERVICES,
              L.P., a Limited Partnership,
           12 HOME SHOPPING NETWORK, INC.,
               a foreign corporation,
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  LAW OFFICES
                    Defendants.
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The jurisdiction of this Court attains pursuant to the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(d), 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 28 U.S.C. § 1332, and the doctrine of supplemental jurisdiction. Venue lies in the Southern Division of the Judicial District of Nevada as Plaintiff's claims arose from acts of the Defendants perpetrated therein.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

2. This action is instituted in accordance with and to remedy Defendants' violations of the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C § 1692 et seg. (hereinafter "FDCPA"), and of related state law obligations brought as supplemental claims 28 | hereto.

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- 3. In 2007, Defendants initiated a campaign of abusive, unfair, unreasonable, and unlawful debt collection activity directed against Plaintiff in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 4. As a result of these and other violations of law, Plaintiff seeks hereby to recover actual and statutory damages together with reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiff, Wanda R. Sands, is a natural person who resides in Las Vegas, Nevada, and is a "consumer" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(3) and allegedly owes a "debt" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(5).
- 6. Defendant, Revenue Security Services, L.P. (RSS), is a domestic Limited Partnership, the principal purpose of whose business is the collection of debts, operating a debt collection agency from its principal place of business in Corpus Christi, Texas, and regularly collects or attempts to collect debts owed or due or asserted to be owed or due another, and is a "debt collector" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(6).
- 7. The Defendant, Home Shopping Network, Inc., (HSN), is a foreign corporation.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

8. Plaintiff repeats, realleges and asserts all factual allegations contained in the preliminary statement to this Complaint and reasserts them as incorporated in full herein.

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- 9. Plaintiff is 82 and quite ill.
- 10. Plaintiff disputes the HSN debt underlying this action having returned the merchandise.
- 11. On May 7, 2007, HSN's agent, RSS, dunned Plaintiff (Exhibit 1).
- 12. Exhibit 1 emulates legal process by invoking, inter alia, "County Code" in violation of FDCPA § 1692e(13).
- 13. Exhibit 1 also violates FDCPA §§ 1692e(5) & 1692e(10) as it threatens to take legal action on an alleged debt of only \$142.71.
- 14. Over approximately two months RSS has inundated Plaintiff with calls.
 - 15. Sometimes the calls were made five times daily.
- 16. Other times RSS would call Plaintiff at 6:00 A.M. and on Sundays in violation of FDCPA § 1692c(a)(1) & (2).
- 17. Each time Plaintiff advised she would not pay, that she was ill and Defendant was not to further call.
- 18. Defendant ignored Plaintiff, continuing its torrent of calls.
- 19. Defendant's representatives made clear they would not stop calling until Plaintiff paid!
- 20. RSS's continued phone contacts to Plaintiff, at times and at a place known to be inconvenient to Plaintiff, were made in violation of FDCPA § 1692c(a)(1). Fox v. Citicorp Credit Services, Inc., 15 F.3d 1507, 1516, fn. 10 (9th Cir. 1994), Austin v. Great Lakes Collection Bureau, Inc., 834 F. Supp. 557, 559 (D. Conn. 1993).

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- 21. RSS's immediate and repeated recalls to Plaintiff constituted harassment in violation of FDCPA §§ 1692d and 1692d(5). Fox v. Citicorp Credit Services, Inc., 15 F.3d 1507, 1516 (9th Cir. 1994), Bingham v. Collection Bureau, Inc., 505 F. Supp. 864, 873 (1981), Kuhn v. Account Control Technology, Inc., 865 F. Supp. 1443, 1452-53 (D. Nev. 1994).
- 22. The foregoing acts and omissions of Defendants were undertaken by them willfully, maliciously, and intentionally, knowingly, and/or in gross or reckless disregard of the rights of Plaintiff.
- 23. Indeed, the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendants were undertaken by them indiscriminately and persistently, as part of their regular and routine debt collection efforts, and without regard to or consideration of the identity or rights of Plaintiff.
- 24. As a proximate result of the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendants, Plaintiff has suffered actual damages and injury, including, but not limited to, stress, humiliation, mental anguish and suffering, and emotional distress, for which Plaintiff should be compensated in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 25. As a result of the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendants, and in order to punish Defendants for their outrageous and malicious conduct, as well as to deter them from committing similar acts in the future as part of their debt collection efforts, Plaintiff is entitled to recover punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

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26. foregoing acts and omissions of RSS constitute violations of the FDCPA, including, but not limited to, Sections

1692c, 1692d, 1692e 1692f and 1692g.

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27. Plaintiff is entitled to recover statutory damages,

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actual damages, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs.

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COUNT II

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28. The foregoing acts and omissions of Defendants constitute

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of Invasion of Privacy. Kuhn v. Account Control Technology, Inc.,

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865 F. Supp. 1443, 1448-49 (D. Nev. 1994); Pittman v. J. J. Mac

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unreasonable debt collection practices in violation of the doctrine

Plaintiff is entitled to recover actual damages as well 29. as punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

JURY DEMANDED

Plaintiff hereby demands trial by a jury on all issues so triable.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that this Honorable Court grant the following relief:

- Award actual damages.
- 2. Award punitive damages.
- 3. Award statutory damages of \$1,000 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1692k.
 - 4. Award reasonable attorney fees.
 - 5. Award costs.

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Grant such other and further relief as it deems just and 6. proper. Respectfully submitted, MITCHELL D. GLINER, Nevada Bar #003419 3017 West Charleston Boulevard Suite 95 Las Vegas, NV 89102 Attorney for Plaintiff LAW OFFICES MITCHELL D. GLINER
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